

**To:** Mylott, Richard[Mylott.Richard@epa.gov]  
**From:** Moler, Robert  
**Sent:** Mon 10/16/2017 9:17:55 PM  
**Subject:** RE: media inquiry

Here is our response. Will send it in a few minutes. Stop me if you see something to change.

EPA values communication and correspondence with Butte Silver Bow County Council of Commissioners.

EPA staff are not scheduled to attend this week's Wednesday Council meeting.

For any letters regarding the Montana Pole Plant site, EPA will coordinate with Montana DEQ to review, consider and respond to any future correspondence. DEQ is the lead agency for the site.

For requests for EPA representatives to appear before the Council to answer questions about West Side Soils Operable Unit, EPA will consider all requests when they are received. After receiving a request for EPA personnel to attend a public event, EPA will determine 1) if the venue is appropriate for personnel to attend; 2) the availability of EPA personnel to attend. If EPA cannot attend a scheduled meeting of the Commissioners, we will look for alternative opportunities to answer their questions.

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## **Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process**

**From:** Susan Dunlap [<mailto:Susan.Dunlap@mtstandard.com>]  
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Hi, sorry to hit you again with another one, but....

The Council of Commissioners will be considering two letters at this week's Wed. council meeting. One is on Montana Pole Plant site. I know DEQ is the lead on that, but the letter is addressed to both Tom Livers and to Joe.

I am doing a story on the letter. It has to be voted on by the council and could undergo revision at the council meeting, but I wanted to ask if EPA will be at the Council meeting to hear the discussion and if EPA wants to comment on the letter?

Deadline end of work day on that one.

Secondly,

Councilman Jim Fisher has also entered in a communication requesting Chief Executive Dave Palmer to contact "ranking representatives of the EPA" and schedule their appearance before the Council to answer questions on West Side Soils.

Comment on that?

Deadline end of work day tomorrow.

Thanks,

Susan

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